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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings show the proposed changes to Figs. 1 and 7A.

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Annotated Sheet Showing Change(s) (2 pages)

REMARKS

The examiner's objections to the drawings have all been addressed. References 22, A, B, and C have been added to FIG. 1. The obviously erroneous reference to numeral 409 on page 10 has been changed to 40. Reference number 116c has been deleted from FIG. 7A. Reference to reference numeral 32 after "speaker" on page 8 (line 5) has been deleted. The changes to FIGS. 1 and 7A are shown on the attached sheets. Properly formatted replacement drawing sheets will be filed shortly.

A new abstract of less than 150 words has been supplied.

References to the parent U.S. applications have been updated to indicate that each has been abandoned. There are references to PCT applications in two other places in the application, but no updating is needed for these references.

Claims 9 and 11 have been amended to correct the lack of antecedent basis for "the user".

Three independent claims are pending -- claims 1, 10, and 12.

The examiner has rejected claims 1 and 10 as anticipated by Olson (US 5645571). The examiner is urged to reconsider and withdraw her rejection, particularly in light of the clarifying amendment made to claims 1 and 10. Each claim now calls for the manually operable control to be mechanically connected with at least one of the first and second electrodes (claim 1) or with the CPR pad (claim 10), and for the manually-operated control to be mechanically separate from the resuscitation control unit.

The examiner interpreted claims 1 and 10 as covering the conventional arrangement shown in Olson of having the manually-operated control on the resuscitation control unit (relying, unreasonably, on the electrical leads as providing the mechanical connection). This was not intended, and the amendment made herein clarifies that the manually-operated control and resuscitation control unit are mechanically separate (although electrically connected).

Olson not only fails to anticipate the claimed invention, but it does not provide any suggestion that would lead to the invention. Instead, Olson teaches exactly what the invention departed from -- putting the manually operated control on the resuscitation control unit (and thus mechanically connected to the resuscitation control unit).

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Thus, claims 1 and 10 are in condition for allowance.

Independent claim 12 (and its dependent claims 13-17) have been cancelled to expedite prosecution. Applicant will pursue these claims in a continuation application. Applicant does not agree with the examiner's reasons for rejecting these claims.

Claims 2-9 and 11 are properly dependent on either claim 1 or 10, and thus allowable therewith. Each of the dependent claims adds one or more further limitations that enhance patentability, but those limitations are not presently relied upon. For that reason, and not because applicants agree with the examiner, no rebuttal is offered to the examiner's reasons for rejecting the dependent claims.

Enclosed is a \$1020.00 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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